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MEMORANDUM

TO:

The Chairman and Members of the Commission

FROM:

Renay L. Edge, Public Utilities Analyst

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DATE:

September 24, 2019

SUBJECT:

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF TIDEWATER UTILITIES,

INC. FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

TO PROVIDE WATER SERVICES PURSUANT TO 26 DEL. C. § 203C

("REHOBOTH DISTRICT 1")

(FILED AUGUST 9, 2019) - PSC DOCKET NO. 19-0507

On August 9, 2019, Tidewater Utilities, Inc. ("Tidewater" or the "Company") submitted an application ("Application") with the Delaware Public Service Commission (the "Commission") pursuant to 26 *Del. C.* § 203C(e)(1)b.2 seeking a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CPCN") to provide water services to five parcels of land in Sussex County, Delaware, known as Tax Map Parcel Nos. 235-22.00-57.00, 235-22.00-32.00, 334-1.00-29.00, 334-5.00-87.00 and 335-11.00-64.00 (the "Proposed Service Area").

As required under 26 *Del. C.* § 203C(e)(1)b.2. and the Commission's Regulations Governing Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity for Water Utilities, 26 *Del. Admin. C.* § 2002 (the "Regulations"), the Application contained the following documentation: (1) a copy of a petition signed by all landowners of record encompassed in the Proposed Service Area requesting to be included in the Proposed Service Area; (2) a copy of the United States Postal Service forms verifying that the Company sent, via certified mail, a Commission-approved notice to all landowners of record for each parcel within the Proposed Service Area; (3) a list of the County tax map parcel identification numbers of the properties and identification of all landowners of record included in the Proposed Service Area; ¹ and (4) a copy of the associated map clearly marking the Proposed Service Area. Additionally, the Application contained Tidewater's

¹At Staff's request, Tidewater submitted a written certification that the Company: (i) reviewed the appropriate tax or land record documents relating to the Proposed Service Area; (ii) confirmed that the landowners identified in the parcel listing are the landowners of record; and (iii) verified that the petitions included in the Application have been signed by each landowner of record.

